

The Records of  
Oxford & Hastings,

in the county of York, and common-  
wealth of Massachusetts,

from August 20<sup>th</sup> 1802. to the Incorpor-  
-ation of said Plantation into a town by  
the name of Albany in June, 1803.

The Plantation of Oxford September 19<sup>th</sup> 1803.

Attest Wm. H. H. H. Plantation Clerk.

Plantation Record

1802-1803

Oxford Plantation (Albany),  
Me.



York for To Ephraim Flint of  
Oxford in said County of York ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ directing  
in the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
~ ~ ~ ~ ~ you are hereby Authorized, and required  
to warn All the Freeholders and Inhabitance of  
the Plantation of said Oxford, Qualified as the  
Said directs; to Vote in Plantation Meetings,  
to Meet at the Public School House in said Oxford,  
on the twenty seventh day of September next  
at one of the Clock Afternoon ~

To Choose such Officers as Plantations by  
Law are Required to Chuse. (viz)

- 1<sup>st</sup> A Moderator to Govern said Meeting.
2. A Plantation Clerk.
3. Assessors to the number of three or more.
4. A Plantation Treasurer

Given under my hand and seal this twentieth  
day of August in the year of our Lord Eighteen  
hundred and two

Signed Simon Fry Justice Peace

The above Warrant was Posted at Jacob Holt's  
House in the aforesaid Oxford according<sup>ly</sup> Saw by  
the within named Ephraim Flint

A true Copy attested Uriah Holt Clerk ~

At a Meeting of the Inhabitance of Oxford  
in the County of York the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 1802  
Chose W<sup>m</sup> Asa Cummings Moderator to Govern  
said Meeting.

2. Chose Uriah Holt Plantation Clerk for the  
incoming year, & was sworn to the faithful discharge of  
his duty as a clerk by the afore<sup>s</sup>d Moderator, in  
Meeting.

3. Chose Asa Cummings Uriah Holt and  
Homer Holt Plantation Assessors for the year incoming

4. Chose Stephen Holt Treasurer.

5. Chose John Foster Deereuf

6. Voted to let out the Collectorship.

7. Voted that the assessors be the Committee to let  
out the Collectorship to the lowest Bidder

8. the Collectorship was struck off to James Russ-  
ell at 13 Cents on a Dollar, for collecting, and it  
was Accepted by the Meeting that James —

Russell should be the Collector for the incoming  
Year

9. Voted to Accept Ephraim Flint & Uriah Holt  
as Bondsmen for the afore said Collector as  
they offered ~~to~~ to give <sup>their</sup> Bonds for the faithful  
discharge of his trust, & the afore said Meet-  
ing was dissolved, A true Copy

Attest Uriah Holt Clerk

York p<sup>r</sup> Waterford October 9<sup>th</sup> 1802

Asa Cummings personally appeared and  
was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duty of the  
Office of an Assessor for the Plantation of Oxford  
for the present year before me

Eber Pine Justice Peace

A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt Plantation Clerk

York p<sup>r</sup> Bethel Oct<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1802

Personally appeared Uriah Holt and was solemnly  
sworn to the faithful discharge of his duty as an  
Assessor to the Plantation of Oxford

Before me Benja<sup>n</sup> Russell Justice Peace

A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt Plantation  
Clerk



York for Waterford October 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 1802

Abner Holt personally appeared and was  
sworn to the faithful discharge of the duty of  
the Office of an Assessor for the Plantation  
of Oxford, the present year before me

Eber Rice Justice Peace  
A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt Plantation Clerk

An Occasional Meeting of the Inhabitants of  
Oxford

Oxford December 28<sup>th</sup> year 1802 ~

In a plantation Meeting held at Mr Abner Abbot's  
1<sup>st</sup> It ~~was~~ was voted to petition for to be Incorporated.  
2<sup>nd</sup> It was voted that there should be a Committee  
to draw the petition in behalf of the Plantation  
3<sup>rd</sup> It <sup>was</sup> voted that Mr Asa Cummings Capt Basil  
Haskell & Mr Jonathan Holt should sign the  
petition.

4<sup>th</sup> It was voted that there should be a man  
chosen to carry the petition to judge Frye

5<sup>th</sup> It was voted that Mr Asa Cummings should  
carry it Person Haskell Coleman clerk ~

A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt  
Plantation Clerk ~

A Warrant for Plantation Meeting

We the Subscribers, & Assessors of the Plantation  
of Oxford, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts notify and warn  
the freeholders and other inhabitants qualified to vote in Plantation Meetings  
to meet and assemble at the House of Mr  
Abner Holt's on Thursday the third day of February  
next at two o'clock in the afternoon ~

To act on the following articles, viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> To choose a Moderator.
2. To see if the inhabitanes of the Plantation will Petition to the General Court to Permit our proportion of the State tax & order the same to be laid out for the education of the Youth in said Plantation. And if this 2<sup>d</sup> Article is conformed to then.
3. To choose a Committee to present Petition given under our hands this 27 day of January 1803.

Ada Cummings.  
Uriah Holt.  
Abner Holt. } Messrs

A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt, Plantation Clerk.

Agreeable to the above Movement the Inhabitance of Oxford Met at Mr Abner Holt's House on the 27 day of January 1803 and opened the Meeting & acted on the following Articles viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chose Mr Jacob Chandler Moderator to govern the Meeting.
- 2<sup>d</sup> Voted to Petition to the General Court to have our part of the State tax Permitted to us, and order the same to be laid out in educating the Youth in said Oxford.
3. Voted to choose a Committee to transact said business.

4. Chose Mr Jonathan Holt on 1<sup>st</sup> Committee.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Chose Mr Ada Cummings and others on 2<sup>d</sup> Committee. But they would not serve.

6 Voted to Adjourn said Meeting to Saturday next at Mr Abner Holt's House in the afternoon on 2 day January 29<sup>th</sup> 1803

Agreeable to above said Adjournment the Inhabitance of Oxford Met and opened their Meeting.

7. Chose Ensign John Lovejoy & Mr Abner Abbot on the afor said Committee.

8. Voted to have our annual Meeting on the 2<sup>d</sup> Monday in March 1803 & said Meeting was dissolved.

A true Copy Attest Uriah Holt, Plantation Clerk.



We the Subscribers Assessor of the Plantation  
of Oxford, in the County of York, in the name of  
the commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Notify and warn the freeholders and other inha-  
bitants of said Plantation Qualified to Vote in  
Plantation Meetings to meet and assemble at  
the house of Mr. Abner Holt, on Monday the four-  
teenth day of March Instant at twelve O'clock  
to act on the following articles

- 1<sup>st</sup> to choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting.
  - 2<sup>d</sup> To choose A Clerk for the ensuing year.
  - 3<sup>d</sup> Assessors.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Treasurer.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Collector and other necessary Plantation Officers.
  6. To see if the Plantation will choose a Committee  
to take A Deed of the burying land in behalf of the Plantation.
  7. to see if the Plantation will determine upon the  
name by which they would have the Town incorporated.
- Given under our hands this seventh day of March  
one thousand eight hundred & three

Asa Cummings.

Uriah Holt.

Abner Holt.

A true Copy, Uriah Holt Plantation Clerk

March 15<sup>th</sup> 1808 Agreeable to the aforesaid Warrant  
the Inhabitant of the Plantation Met at  
Mr. Abner Hott's house in said Oxford in the County  
of York. & said Meeting was opened, & they acted on the  
following Articles viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chose Mr. Asa Cummings Moderator for the year
  2. Chose Uriah Hott Plantation Clerk for the ensuing year
  3. Voted to Chose three Assessors for the year ensuing.
  4. Chose Mr. Jonathan Hott Uriah Hott & John Lovjoy Assessors for the year ensuing
  5. Chose Sicut. Stephen Hott Treasurer
  6. Voted to let out the collecting of Taxes in the Plantation of Oxford the Ensuing year to the lowest bidder with his giving sufficient surety for the faithful discharge of his trust.
  7. Voted that the Assessors be a Committee to let out the aforesaid Collecting of the Taxes for the year ensuing to the lowest bidder, with his giving the aforesaid surety to the Plantation of Oxford.
  8. the Collectorship was struck off to Persons that sell at seven Cents on a Dollar for collecting.
  9. Chose Persons Haskell Collector for year ensuing
  10. Chose Mr. Jacob Chandler to take the care of the Burying Yard in Oxford the year ensuing
  11. Voted to have a Committee Chosen to take a Deed of the aforesaid Burying Yard in behalf of the Plantation aforesaid.
  12. Voted that the aforesaid Assessors be the Committee to take said Deed.
  13. Voted that the Moderator select any Name to put to Vote to have the Plantation of Oxford (called in stead of the present name which is Oxford - now so called) Incorporated by in stead of the present name
  14. Voted to have the Plantation of Oxford Incorporated by the Name of Montgreen. & then
- Meeting was dissolved.

A true Record, Attest Uriah Hott } Plantation Clerk

Moderator

Clerk

Assessors

Treasurer

Collector

Low bidder

Low bidder

Who to

Collector

Care of the

Committee

Deed goes

Low bidder

taken

Montgreen

The Clerk

The Assessor

Montgreen



March 13<sup>th</sup> 1803  
The following Oath was Administered to  
the Plantation Clerk.  
You Uriah Holt being chosen Clerk for the  
Plantation of Oxford, do swear that you will  
truly record all Votes in this Meeting, and all  
other Plantation meetings, during the year, or  
untill another shall be chosen and sworn in your  
sted & also faithfully discharge all other duties  
of your Office so help you God.

Sworn before me Asa Cummings Moderator to  
Governor's Meeting  
A true Record Attest, Uriah Holt, Plantation Clerk

### The Assessors Oath.

The  
Assessors  
You Jonathan Holt, Uriah Holt, & John Sovereign,  
being chosen Assessors, for the Plantation of Oxford,  
(in the County of York & Commonwealth of Massachusetts)  
for the year ensuing, do swear, that you will  
proceed equally and impartially, according to your  
best skill & judgment, in assessing & apportion-  
ing all such rates,  
and taxes as you may, according to law, be directed  
to Assess & apportion during that time, and  
every other duty incumbent on Plantation Assessors  
before me Asa Cummings Moderator,  
March 14<sup>th</sup> 1803.

A true Record Attest,  
Uriah Holt, Plantation Clerk.

You Persons Haskell, being appointed a Collector  
of taxes within the Plantation of Oxford, in the Coun-  
ty of York and Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
for one year next following, do swear that you  
will levy and collect, with what speed you can, all  
such rates and assessment, for which you shall  
have sufficient warrants according to law,  
rendering an Account thereof, and paying the  
same according to the directions, in your warrant,  
so help you God.

The above named Persons Haskell personally appeared and  
was sworn before me in the Meeting in which the  
Governor, Asa Cummings Moderator to Governor's Meeting  
March 14<sup>th</sup> 1803

A true Copy Attest,  
Uriah Holt Plantation Clerk.



York ss. Oxford May 30<sup>th</sup>. 1803.

Personal Appear'd Stephen Holt & took the  
oath provided to the Office as Plantation  
Treasurer before me Eli Twitichell Justice peace  
A true Copy Attest Uriah. Clerk.

York ss. To Persons Haskell solicitor for the  
Plantation of Oxford in County of York, greeting.

You are hereby required, in the name of the commonweal-  
th of Massachusetts, to warn the Male Inhabitants  
of the Plantation of Oxford, of twenty one years old and  
upwards, having a <sup>in</sup> Household Estate with the Common-  
wealth; of the annual income of three pounds, or any  
Estate, to the Value of sixty pounds, to meet at  
Mr Jacob Holt's Dwelling House, in said Plantation,  
on Monday, the fourth day, of April next, at one  
of the Clock in the afternoon, to give in their Votes  
for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Senator,  
agreeable to the Constitution of said Commonwealth.  
Also to give in their Votes for a County Treasurer.

Given under our hands and Seals, at the Plantation  
of Oxford, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1803.

Jonathan Holt.  
Uriah Holt.  
John Lovejoy. } Assessors.  
Plantation

Oxford March 26<sup>th</sup> 1803.

Pursuant to the within Warrent I have warned  
the inhabitants of said Plantation, qualified as  
therein expressed, to meet at the time and place,  
and for the purpose therein mentioned.  
Persons Haskell C. Collector

A true Copy Attest  
Uriah Holt. — Plantation Clerk.

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1803<sup>rd</sup>

Agreable to the aforementioned Warrent the  
Inhabitants of the Plantation of Oxford Met at  
the aforementioned time and Place & opened their  
Meeting & proceeded according to the Constitution of  
the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Votes for the following persons were given in, counted  
and sorted, and declaration there of made, as by the  
constitution is directed, viz.

For his Excellency Caleb Strong Esqr Governor 16 Votes

Sicutenant Governor.

do his Honor Edward, M. Robbins Esqr 16 Votes.

1<sup>st</sup> Senator the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Simon Doye Esqr 13 Votes. 2<sup>d</sup> Senator John Woodman Esqr 13 Votes.  
John Woodman Esqr 13 Votes. Mr William Dependence 13 Votes

For County Treasurer William Frost Esqr 17 Votes.

said Meeting was dissolved

A true Record Attest. Uriah Holt, } Clerk  
Plantation

A Petition for a Plantation Meeting

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1803<sup>rd</sup>

To the Assessor of the Plantation of Oxford  
we the subscribers request you to warn the  
Inhabitants of the said plantation to meet  
at the schoolhouse on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> instant for  
to reconsider the votes past at the last annual  
meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in March 1803  
concerning the name of the said plantation & to make  
choise of some other name.

Carrowed forward



Joseph Molt.  
 James Russell.  
 Ephraim Flint.  
 Thomas Russell.  
 John his Foster  
 + mark.

Jonathan Whittredge.  
 John Bell.  
 Jacob Chandler.  
 Moses Molt.  
 Abner Abbot.  
 Isaac Wardwell

A true Record Attest: Uriah Molt } Plantation  
 Clerk.

These are to notify and warn the freeholders  
 and other Inhabitant of the Plantation of  
 Oxford, (in the County of York & Commonwealth  
 of Massachusetts,) qualified by Law to vote  
 in Plantation meetings, to meet at the Public  
 Schoolhouse in said Plantation, on Friday the  
 thirteenth instant at three, of the clock in the  
 afternoon, to act on the follow articles, viz:

1<sup>st</sup> To choose a Moderator to govern said Meeting.  
 2<sup>d</sup> To see if the Inhabitants will reconsider their votes  
 respecting the altering the name of Oxford to that  
 of Montgreen; said votes were passed on the 2 Monday  
 of March last, at their annual meeting, & if this  
 article is complied with; then if they will select a  
 name for said Plantation.

3<sup>d</sup> To choose a School Committee.  
 4<sup>th</sup> To see if said Inhabitants will hire a School-  
 Master to teach a School in said Plantation this  
 present season, given under our hands at

Jonathan Molt.  
 Uriah Molt. } Jps. Jm.  
 John Looejoy

Oxford May 5<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1803.

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A true copy Attest Abiah Holt <sup>Plantation</sup> Clerk.

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1803 Agreeable to the aforesaid Warrant  
the Inhabitants of Oxford Met & acted on the following  
Articles viz:

- Moderator: 1<sup>st</sup> Chose M<sup>rs</sup> Ada Cummings Moderator to govern  
said meeting.  
2<sup>d</sup> Voted to reconsider all former votes respecting  
the altering the name of Oxford to that of  
Montgreen.  
3<sup>d</sup> Voted to call the Plantation Albany.  
4<sup>th</sup> Voted to have a School-Committee chosen.  
School Committee: 5<sup>th</sup> Chose Messrs. Ada Cummings Abiah  
Holt & Lieut. Stephen Holt School Committee  
in the room of the 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. 6<sup>th</sup> Voted to pass over the 4<sup>th</sup> Article in the aforesaid  
warrant, & then the aforesaid meeting was  
dissolved.

A true Record Attest, Abiah Holt Clerk.

[L.S.] Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

York ss. To John Lovejoy of Albany in said  
County greeting

In the name of the commonwealth aforesaid  
You are hereby required and directed to notify and  
warn all the freeholders & other inhabitants of the town  
of Albany in the due course of law who are qualified as  
the law directs to vote in town meetings, to assemble &  
meet at the School-House in said Albany on Monday the  
nineteenth day of September instant at ten O'clock in the  
forenoon, and when so assembled to proceed & choose a  
Moderator to govern said meeting, and all such Officers,  
as towns by law are required to choose in the month of  
March, or April annually; Given under my hand & seal at  
Hartford, in said county of York, the eight day of September  
in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & three.

Eber Rice Justice of the Peace

A true copy Attest Abiah Holt Clerk.